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REF: (A) STATE A-5262 (TO AF DIPLOMATIC POSTS) (B) STATE 47833 (NOTAL)

- 1. REF AIRGRAM ANNOUNCES AVAILABILITY LIMITED NUMBER OF REGIONALLY FUNDED IV GRANTS TO OFFICERS OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL SECRETARIATS IN AFRICA (E.G. UN/ECA, OAU, UNEP). INTENDED FOR GRANTEES WHO ARE AFRICAN AND WHO NOT NATIONALS OF COUNTRY OF ASSIGNMENT, PROGRAM IN "RECOGNITION OF IMPORTANT ROLE SECRETARIAT STAFF MEMBERS PLAY IN FORMULATION OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS' POSITIONS ON MATTERS AFFECTING U.S. INTERESTS."
- 2. BELIEVE THAT EXCELLENT CANDIDATE IS MR. A. H. ABEL RAZIK, AN EGYPTIAN NATIONAL, WHO IS ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, OAU/SCIENTIFIC TECHNICAL AND RESEARCH COMMISSION, LAGOS. OAU/STRC EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT UNDERTAKES WIDE RANGE OF ACTIVITIES ON BEHALF OF ITS FORTY-ONE MEMBER COUNTRIES, INCLUDING SPONSORSHIP SCIENTIFIC/TECHNICAL CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS, DEVELOPMENT/IMPLEMENTATION RESEARCH PROGRAM AND ESTABLISHMENT OF REQUIRED STANDARDS AND PROTOCOLS.
- 3. OAU/STRC ALSO REPRESENTED AT IMPORTANT AFRICAN MEETINGS, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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INCLUDING FAO REGIONAL CONFERENCES, MEETINGS OF ECONOMIC

COMMISSION FOR AFRICA AND OAU COUNCIL OF MINISTERS. SUCH PARTICIPATION, AS WELL AS CONTINUING CLOSE LIAISON WITH SCIENTIFIC COMMUNITY AND MINISTRIES OF AGRICULTURE IN REGION, PROVIDE UNUSUAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR STRC TO INFLUENCE AGRICULTURAL POLICIS OF AFRICAN COUNTRIES. U.S. INTERESTS WOULD BE SERVED BY STRC'S CLOSER RELATIONSHIP WITH AND BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF AMERICAN AGRICULTURAL INSTITUTIONS AND POLICIES.

- 4. GIVEN RAZIK'S KEY POSITION WITHIN STRC, WE URGE YOU TO CONSIDER HIM FOR SUBJECT GRANT (DEPT. ADVISED US THAT INITIATIVE RESTS WITH CAIRO), WHICH WOULD INCUR NO COSTS TO YOUR CU ALLOCATION.
- 5. PLEASE ADVISE DEPT. (ATTN: CU/NEA AND CU/AF).
- $6.\ FOR\ DEPT.$  IF CAIRO CONCURS, WILL SUPPLY BIODATA AND PROGRAM INFORMATION. CROSBY

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